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Is This Tomorrow?

In 1957, another class graduated from Marion High School, heading out on the long road of life, not knowing which direction or to what destination that road would take us. We have nearly arrived at our final destination and we almost know what life has in store for us. We are all older, and in many cases, wiser from our journey through life. In 1957, the staff of "The Student" newspaper attempted to give us a glimpse into the future with the article, "**Is this Tomorrow?**". Thus we begin...

While I was touring the big city of Marion in my 1967 Cadillac driven by my chauffeur, **Pat Barbaro**, he told me of all that had happened was still happening to the class of 1957.

He drove down one street so that I could hear the wonderful music of the **Jim Williams** Dixieland Band which has three of the alumni in it. They are **Don Helm**, **Tom Harper**, and **Jerry Staudacher**. This band just returned from a three-week engagement at The Sands in Las Vegas and they are now playing at **Delores Wohlwend's** famous Flame Room. Also making a personal appearance at the same place is singer **Alan Kuhn**, whose red-headed starlet wife **Brenda Collins** caused a riot at the Stork Club on a recent trip to New York City.

While going around the square, I came upon **Donald R. Kenyon** selling newspapers to work his way through journalism school. (As far as we know he is still in school).

Sadie Young and **Ann Strobel** were fined by Judge **Bob Johnson** for dragging around the square backwards during the five o'clock rush hour.

I stopped off at Dr. **Daniel B. Furlong's** office and was told by his nurse **Sharon Adams** that he was on an emergency case treating **Tom Wimberly** and **Tom Spiller**, two participants in the Indianapolis Race, who received skull fractures from a head-on collision on the track.

On a visit to the high school, Principal **Barry Jones** took me on the grand tour of it. Some of the classes are being conducted by **Laurel Lee Kobler**, boy's PE teacher, **Nellie Pearl Jones**, girls PE teacher, **Ray Fuller**, Greek teacher, and **Loren Wicks**, English teacher. While I was at the school, Principal Jones announced the appointment of **Bob Poole** and **Jim Goddard** as Truant Officers. They received their appointments because they took school so seriously when they were students.

By this time, I was getting hungry so I stopped off at **Betty Kelton's** new cafeteria, Stop and Go. Her new waitresses are **Judy Ferguson**, **Margie Christy**, and **Sharon Cogdill**. The reason Betty has so many customers is that she plays those old fashion Rock and Roll favorites that were so popular when she was in school. Her bus boys include **Harold Short**, **Bob Wyatt**, **Charles Hanselman**, and **Carl Thetford**. Her chief cook is **Ronnie Moroni** assisted by **Phyllis Owens**, **Sue Pankey**, **Louise Kelley**, **Marilyn Wollard** and **Margaret McRoy**.

After lunch, I bought a newspaper and read some very interesting things. I read that **Peggy Jo Fuller** was nominated for "The Girl Any Man Would Like To Be Stranded On A Desert Island With." I also read how happy scientist **Don Wilson** is of his wife **Norma Campbell** for winning the title of the world's tallest woman. In the same paper, I read **Larry Kuzela's** nationally syndicated column, "Kuzela's Kapers." In this particular column he interviewed **Harold Merriweather**, star player for the Harlem Globetrotters. I also learned that **Pat Courtney** has just been made editor of the Seventeen magazine. She announced that two of her models, **Shirley Darter**

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and **Marilyn Layman** will appear in the magazine regularly.

I got tired of reading so I turned on my radio. All I could get was news. I found out that **Jack Anderson**, Olympic star and winner of the Decathlon, is on a good will tour of the United States. His valet, **Butch Boatright**, is accompanying him. Another interesting piece of news was that **Bud Henson** has just invented the first rocket to the moon. He has scheduled his first flight for next Monday. His eager crew includes: **Dan Zoeller**, **Mike Wiemken**, and **Jim Phemister**. Finally, I was able to hear some music, That great song writer, **Winona Wandling**, has a new hit entitled, "When You Are In New Mexico, I'll Be True To You." She dedicated this hit to **Mike Naeve**, who is raising snakes down in New Mexico.

Some members of the class of '57 did very well for themselves. **Larry Feurer** is now the manager of a chain of IGA stores. His best clerks are **Jane Arnold**, **Sharon Tepovich**, **Alma Boyer**, **Clelus Dawe**, **Sharon Dettmer**, **Arlene Cagle**, and **Yvonne Chamness**. **Charlie Anderson** is the new president of International Harvester. He has employed as his private secretary **Uline Utley**. Some of her assistants are **Joyce Colboth**, **Shirley Kneezle**, **Margaret Smith**, and **Donna Holman**. They really aren't needed so they just sit around and do nothing.

Chief bouncers for the **Warren Douglas** Dance Studios are **Johnny Mitchell** and **Ronnie Odum**. Somethings pupils get quite rowdy. Two of Warren's instructors are **Gwen Curry** and **Helen Keay Wallace**. **Jim Avery** has just opened up a lovely modern flower shop. He has the latest in flowers. **Linda Baggett** is the chief weed picker for the shop. Of course, all businesses can't be good. For instance, since **Edward West** invented a formula which prevents death, **Bob Wilson's** funeral home has gone out of business. That formula also put **Frances Merritt** out of business because she was designing special caskets for Bob's funeral home.

Many of the members of the 1957 class went into the sports world. **Richard Rector** is now playing baseball for the St. Louis Cardinals. His private cheering section includes: **Barbara Uselton**, **Mary Snider**, **Pat Hill**, **Judy Odum**, **Margie Meyers**, and **Shirley Tyler**. **Joe Gulley** and **Jim Anderson** are now playing football for the Los Angeles Rams. **Rosie Odum** is captain of a newly-organized softball team which is comprised of **Flora Clarida**, **Carole Holland**, **Shirley Merriweather**, **Carol Vanzandt**, **Deanna Dungey**, **Mathilda Germann**, **Ruth Combes**, and **Ellen Kay Freres**. **Steve May** is their manager.

Some of our famous people have moved away to other parts of the country. Our own Uncle Bob MC's a Variety Show on CBS. He has as his guests, **Pat Chester**, doing an exhibition twirl with four flaming batons, singers **Sally Morrison** and **Kathy Osborne**, famous pianist **Sue Moore**, and **Louis Fluck** closing with his monologue, "Casey At The Bat." Bob's special interview that night was the first lady, President of the United States, **Ann Morgan**, and Senator **Skipper Whiting** of Illinois.

Betsy Williams, **Sue Anderson**, and **Shirley Shoot** were flown back from Hollywood after their first performance in that new motion picture, "A Trolleycar Named Elvis." Oh well, everybody can't succeed with what they do.

Pat Bock, the new Kim Novak, was seen wearing the latest creations drawn by **Linda Swan**, **Louisa Hans**, and **Lois Baker**. **Gary Shaw** is Pat's campaign manager and **Glenn McNary** is her bodyguard.

Lt. Commander **Dick Clarida** has returned from Annapolis to get some new pledges for the academy. So far his secretary **Pat Green** has the names of **Danny Boyd**, **Randall Drury**, **George Funkhouser**, and **Carl Heltsley**. Chief citation giver **Larry Jack** assisted by **Larry Fisher** gave **Gary Norris** and **Jerry Jack** citations for being



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I am a Certified Public Accountant. My wife, Mona, is a Travel Consultant.

We have two boys and one daughter: Donna is a Registered Nurse; Steven is in the U. S. Army, and Church is an electrician.

We have four grandchildren: Cristiana, Scott, Melissa, and Steve.

I enjoy traveling, tennis, and gardening. I graduated from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, IL. Mona and I have lived in Florida for over 20 years. No snow to shovel but we have grass to mow the year around.



Donna Kaye (Anderson) Cain

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I am now retired. I was the Executive Assistant to the President of a local hospital. My husband, Charles, is a retired educator.

We have one son and four daughters. Kelly Autry (38) is a teacher of severe and profound mentally retarded students; Kristy Bloss (36) is a juvenile counselor; Sally Stohler (44) is the director of Nursing at our local hospital; Barbara Reed (41) is an accountant; Bruce Cain (37) is the vice President of InSCO Corporation.

We have many grandchildren: Kyle Autry (12); Lucas Autry (9); Danny Bloss (9); Sarah Bloss (7); Amanda Stohler (18); Ryan Reed (14); Andrew Reed (9); Matthew Reed (7); Natalie Cain (5); and Courtney (4).

I enjoy reading, golfing, crafting, cross stitch, and spending time with family. We have been very lucky. We have a well-adjusted, stable "blended" family. All five children are college graduates, successful and happy. We're all blessed with good health and 10 wonderful grandchildren.

I will always remember the "get-togethers" almost every week-end at my house to roll the carpet back, turn on the music and dance.



Jack Gary Anderson

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I am retired. I have two sons and one daughter: Teresa Anderson Daniel (32); Greg Anderson (30); and Brad Anderson (29).

I have two grandchildren: Michelle Anderson (9) and Stefan Anderson (6).

I was married in 1962 to Janet McCaffey and divorced in 1981. I lived in Europe for 10 years. Coached European baseball for 8 years. Now back in Tacoma, Washington.

Enjoy the Northwest very much. Enjoy salmon fishing. I also enjoy going to Seattle to see Sonics and Mariners. They have a triple A team here in Tacoma.

Steve May and I went in the high school late one night to get some food from the cafeteria. Mr. Edwards, the custodian, wasn't on duty. Mr. Bundy came in and caught Steve and I behind the big post in front of his office. We lied like crazy but he knew.



Lois Jane (Arnold) Rissi

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I am a retired bank teller. My husband, Tim L. Rissi, is a professional photographer.

We hve one daughter: Susan Tregoning (30) who is an interior designer for Coleman Rhodes Furniture.

We have no grandchildren.

I live in West Frankfort and have been married 34 years to Tim L. Rissi who is a professional photographer. I am a licensed beautician. I also worked 14 years in banking in Southern Illinois and I am now retired.



Norma (Baker) Fosse

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I am a homemaker and my spouse, Gale, is an airplane pilot.

We have one son and three daughters. Tera Sappington (36); Tina Andros (34); Lisa Anger (32); and Alan Fosse (27). We have nine grandchildren.

As the wife of an Air Force Officer and professional pilot, I managed our 20 plus different homes, raised four children, was a Red Cross volunteer, was 1st Vice President of the Andrews Air Force Base Officer's Wives Club in Washington, D. C. and worked in real estate. In 1975, I received commendations for my Red Cross volunteer services in Operation New Life (Viet Nam refugee evacuation). My hobbies are travel, bridge, gardening, skiing, and modeling. We are currently building our retirement home (Journey's End) on 30 acres north of Goreville, Illinois.

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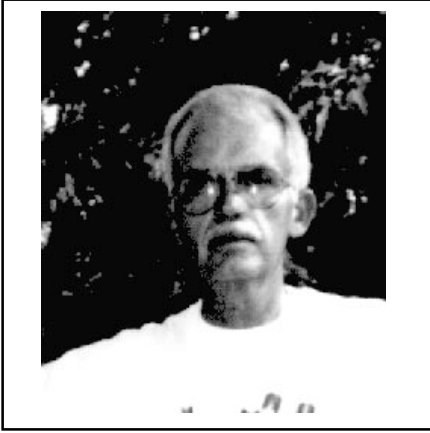
Patrick Dean Barbaro

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I am a retired coal miner. My wife, Susan M. Barbaro, is an interior designer. We have two sons and two daughters. Gregory A. Barbaro (31); Beth York (26); Mark Watson (31); and Kelly Swales (26). We have 11 grandchildren.

My hobbies include fishing and hunting.

The thing I remember in high school was driving in front of the high school in my 1955



Jerry Bell

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I am a "retired" salesman. My wife, Judith Kay Bell, is in special education.

We have one son and one daughter: Jerry Joe Bell (38), is employed by the Illinois Department of Corrections; Lisa Suzanne Bell (34) is a special education teacher, girls basketball coach, and girls softball coach with the Benton Consolidated High School in Benton, IL.

We have three grandchildren: Joshua Robert Bell (15); Caitlin Elizabeth Bell (7); and Courtney Elise Bell (5).

My hobbies are golf, hunting and fishing. My wife and I have lived in Benton, IL for 29 years. My wife was employed for 18 years at Benton Grade School and 9 years at Benton High School. I was employed with Freeman United Coal Company for 25 years. I am now employed with Flanders Electric Motor in Marion, IL for 8 years.



Arthur A. "Butch" Boatright

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My occupation is a telephone cable splicer and my spouse, Lilly, is a data entry clerk at Dillards Department Store in Marion, IL

We have one son and one daughter.

Tina Lynn Phillips (32) is a mother and homemaker. Jason (26) is a cable splicer at Sullivan Electric in Marion, IL. We have two grandchildren, Chelsea (8) and Joe (7).

Hobbies include remote control model aircraft, wood carving - presently chain saw carving. I have won several competitions at art and woodcarving shows. I worked for General Telephone Company as an employee and contractor for the last 35 years. I have been married to Lilly for 34 years with two fine children and two fine grandchildren who all live close by.

I will remember some good incidents at high school as soon as I mail this. I will get back to you on that!

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Dannie Lee Boyd

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My occupation is a machine shop inspector for the Boeing Aircraft Company. I do not have a spouse or children.

I have had a lifelong interest in cars and motorcycles and playing pocket billiards.

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Norma Sue (Campbell) Wilcox

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I am a professor of sociology at Wright State University. My spouse, Jerry, is a consulting analyst at NCR.

We have two daughters: Sheila Jane Hamilton (35) who is in Human Resources at Banc One; Pamela Kaye Rountree (29) is an assistant professor of Sociology at the University of Kentucky (No, she doesn't get free basketball tickets).

We have no grandchildren - just four grand dogs! Jesse is a chocolate Lab - a beautiful dog but a tad dense! Mooch - is a mix of black Lab and Golden Retriever - sweet but a bit schizoid. Toby - an adopted part Chow and German Shepherd - a handsome dog and a real cool dude. Sheldon - Sheltie who is too cute for his own good. Note: I have just been informed that Jerry and I can expect our first grandchild in 1999 - after the tenure decision (ATD).

My hobbies/interests include gardening (both flower and vegetable), international traveling, walking, women and children, the arts, and skydiving. My education includes BA at the University of Arkansas, my MA and PhD at St. Louis University in Sociology. Jerry received his BA at SIU in computer science. The first half of our married life, we moved around some trying to find the perfect place and job: Texas (hell on earth); Arkansas (pre-Bill & Hillary days); St. Louis (loved it); Ohio (boring) but a good place to rear children.

My memories include a Halloween secret about one class members' outhouse! all in all, in spite of the trials and tribulations of adolescence and being rejected by Albert Miller, I look back upon those years fondly and have good memories. Is Don Wilson still "The Hunk" I thought he was?



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My occupation is "grandmother." I am married to Wesley Don Helm who is the President of Delco Electronics in Europe.

We have two sons and one daughter: Timothy Scott (35) who is the Executive Director of the YMCA in Dayton, OH; Mark Alan (32) who is an advance research engineer at Micron Electronics in Boise, ID; and Kristin Ann (25) who is a news reporter and anchor person at CBS in Youngstown, OH.

We have four grandchildren: Allison Ann (6); Erik Andrew and Tyler Anthony (twins) who are two years of age; and Parker Dillon (6 months)

I received by BS from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, IL. I lived in Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, and Germany. We have moved 6 times following Don because GM kept sending his paycheck to him. We have lived in Germany nearly four years. Don worked and I played. I have visited England, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxemburg, Austria, Poland, Czeck Republic, Italy, France, Spain, Switzerland, Finland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Russia, and Hong Kong.



Flora Evelyn (Clarida) Reilly

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My occupation is a Labor Conciliator for the Illinois Department of Labor. My office is in the Marion Regional Office Building. I was married to Thomas E. Reilly who is deceased.

Tom and I had one son and two daughters: Grace Evelyn Harrison Davis (38) who is a comptroller; Tambra Jean Kent (36) who is a special projects family specialist; and Thomas Reilly III (35) who is a lab technician.

I have five grandchildren and one great-grandchild: Jennifer Wall-Melton (19); Matthew Howard Kent (16); Malachi Grace Harrison (15); Christopher Ryan Kent (14); Maddox Lee Harrison (11), and our great-grandson, Wyatt Cade Melton (1).

After one quarter at SIU I dropped out of college and married Tom Reilly. The first four years were very eventful. We had three children, built a house, and Tom completed both his BS and Master degrees. When our youngest started kindergarten, I returned to SIU. I worked as a newspaper reporter and photographer for the Marion Daily Republican until August 1975. Since then, I have worked for the Illinois Department of Labor as an investigator, arbitrator, mediator, and administrative hearing officer. Many of my Abritration awards have been published by the Bureau of National Affairs, the Commerce Clearing House, and the Labor Relations Press. Since Tom was killed in an automobile accident in 1991, my primary focus has been on my family and work.

It has been a long time, with so many people, places and incidents since then the "remembering when" has gotten lost. However, my fondest memories have to be junior high and high school bands, contests, concerts, pep rallies, playing at ball games, and hanging out at Wohlwend's Drug Store.



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My occupation is an Early Childhood Teacher. My spouse, Bruce Alan, is a Credit-Life Insurance representative. We have one son and two daughters.

Brett Alan Blume (33) is the news director for radio station KLPW in Washington, MO; Beth Lynn Barbour (30) is a homemaker and 1st grade teacher; Becky Jo Morgan (27) is a homemaker and artist. We have four grandchildren: Melanie Lynn Barbour (4); Wesley Dakota Morgan (4); Josie Cheyenne Morgan (2); Jason Aaron Barbour (1).

Bruce and I have been married for 35 years. We both graduated from SIU. For the past 20 years we have lived in a small town, Troy, with St. Louis advantages only 20 minutes away. We enjoy our grandchildren, traveling, and all the normal retirement stuff. I can't think of MHS days without paying tribute to my parents (my dad died in 1975 and my mother in 1981). I would also like to remember our deceased classmates, especially Jeannette McCombs, my 6th grade friend from McKinley School, and Nellie Peral Jones, my senior class PE pal. Also gone is most of my old neighborhood where I lived.

Sorting through memories, I was surprised at how many involved dancing at Teen Town, the Ranch, gym at noon, etc. One night several carloads of kids drove to the end of the Creal Springs road, put all the cars in a circle with the lights shining in and the radios tuned to the same R&R station (KXOK) and we danced up a storm! It was so classic 50's. I always thought it would turn up in an American Graffiti-type movie.



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I am an Executive Secretary and my spouse, Daniel L. is a repairman for South Western Bell Telephone Company. We have two sons and four daughters, 1 stepson and four stepdaughters. Roxann V. Hall (37) is a cement finisher; Charlotte Wilkins (36) is a polo specialist; Sharon D. Hall (35) is a restaurant manager; Parthina Jacobs (34) is a Chief in the US Navy (17 years); darryl Hall (34) and Elisha Jones (29)

Mauryce Duson (43) works in a steel mill; Danetta Myers (26) is a secretary; Danesa Phillips (23) has just graduated from college; and Deon Phillips (15) is a student. We have nine grandchildren: Darryl W. Hall II (12); Derek Jacobs (8); Rodney Jacobs (2); LeShai Jones (3); Andre Duson (30); Justin Duson (17); Nicole Duson (11); Brittani Phillips (6); and Nicki Myers (1).

I am very active in my church and I love to play cards. I have been married 4 times - 1st marriage ended in divorce, 2nd and 3rd marriage widowed, and 4th marriage began 17 months ago. I am very happy now. I have been a secretary for the last 25 years.

I will share with you all now the story about how Mr. Bundy caught Nellie P. Jones Steward (deceased now) and myself in the bathroom smoking the week of graduation. He threatened graduation day for us, and that he was going to contact our parents. We begged on our knees, along with crying our eyes out, not to call our parents, and to please let us graduate with no trouble. We never heard anymore about it.



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I am a Senior Underwriter for a wholesale mortgage banker and my spouse, John H.K. Lee is a retired executive for a photofinishing company. We have one son and one daughter: Natasha (24) is attending the University of the Pacific School of Dentistry in San Francisco. She will graduate in 2000 and receive her DDS. Her undergraduate work was completed at the University of California at Santa Cruz. John Jr. (2) is a Web Engineer for Silicon Graphics, Inc. in Mountain View, CA. He worked for Apple

Computer for 18 months prior to working for Silicon Graphics. He has a sideline business where he develops websites for businesses and sound effects for Sega games.

We have lived in the San Francisco Bay area for the past 12 years. Prior to that we have lived in Seattle, Hawaii, Southern California, Tampa, FL, Bermuda, upstate New York and Baltimore, MD. I have my real estate brokers license and have worked in a real estate related industry for the past 15 years. Prior to that I was a Registered Representative of the NYSE while in the employment of Merrill Lynch. John and I have been married for 33 years. It is our intent, once I join him in retirement, to dabble in real estate. We have no grandchildren, as neither of our children are married.

I'm truly sorry I cannot attend this reunion, as I fear it may be our last. But please convey my best wishes to everyone. I hope everyone has a great time. Tell Warren Douglas I said hello.

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Shirley June (Darter) Eason

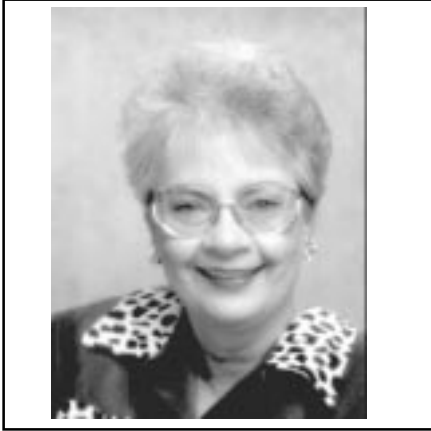
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I am a housewife and my spouse, Gary, is retired. He was the District Manager for the Social Security Administration.

We have one son and two daughters. Gayla East (39) is a registered nurse and a full-time mother; Kimberly Rust (32) is a housewife and accountant; Michael Eason (27) is full-time in construction. We have six grandchildren: Jeffrey East (14); Lauren East (11); Erik Rust (10); Rachel Rust (7); Rebekah Rust (6); and Sarah Rust (4).

The first twenty or so years after high school, I devoted my time being a wife and a mother. My husband's career required our moving several times. We lived in seven different cities, fifteen different houses. I worked several different part-time jobs during the past twenty years just enough to get my social security benefits. Hopefully, I will make it to 62 and there will be something left in the trust fund - ha! Gary is now retired and we are busier than before. We enjoy babysitting occasionally. Our six beautiful grandchildren live in Charlotte, NC and Jackson, Tennessee. We also do a lot of collecting in antiques. I love flea markets. We spend our winters in Florida on Lake Toho. we enjoy traveling and looking for antiques.

My junior high years were so much fun - being in a brand new building and all new friends. The "Three Musketeers" had a lot of cool times together. The "Three Musketeers" consisted of myself, Brenda Collins and Shirley Shoot. High school was a wonderful time for me. I enjoyed the time and all the memories I cherish.



Delores Lee (Davenport) Lovelace

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I am the Office Manager for a medical provider. My spouse, Dale, is an Architect for the Huff Group. We have three daughters: Lori Michele Heuschele is an actuary with Ernst & Young in St. Louis, MO. Her husband, Michael, is a pilot with TWA; Lisa Renee McKinney is a Career Counselor with Upward Mobility, State of Illinois. Her husband, Steven, is an electrical engineer for CIPS; Susan Leanne Holst, is a manufacturing team leader with Invitrogen Company in San Diego, CA and is working with DNA research. Her husband, Brent, has a PhD in genetic research and is a senior researcher at Scripps Institute in LaJolla, CA. We have four grandchildren

and one on the way: Christi Nicole McKinney (15); Ashley Marie McKinney (14); Mallory Kate McKinney (13); Fletcher Dale Holst (3); and a new grandchild Holst due in March, 1998.

Dale and I have lived in the same house for 32 years. After raising and educating our girls, we like to travel to check on the results of our labors as much as possible. I belong to a social sorority, Beta Sigma Phi, an investment club, and have been active in my church. Any extra time I have is spent reading or fussing with the computer. I do some ceramics and have had some of my poetry published.

I remember the night the Jefferson School burned and having to go to Logan school. I have good memories of band (I met Dale at a band contest), of parties in Ann Morgan's basement, double dates, hanging out at Wohlwend's Drug Store, piling in three deep at least to go there for lunch in an automobile.



Elaine (Dodds) Hancock

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I am the owner/manager of a Ladies Apparel Store in Marion, Illinois. My spouse, Rodman, is an insurance agent for Roberts Insurance Agency. We have 2 daughters.

Karen Hancock (married name) married Bill Benerman. Both are both environmental scientists living in Denver, Colorado; Kelli McSparin, is a Registered Nurse and her husband, Mike, works for the Illinois Department of Transportation. We have three grandchildren: Shauna McSparin (18); Josh McSparin (15); and Henry Benerman (18

months old).

Rodman and I have been married for 40 years and have lived in Marion except for his army years (1957-1959). Fifty-eight years is its own education. I read in my spare time which isn't much since the store keeps me very busy.

My memories are vivid and numerous-mostly good. The Orpheum Theater and West Side Drug Store were important, I'm glad to say that I still have the same friends and wouldn't have it any other way.



Warren L. Douglas

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I am a retired teacher from the Marion Community Unit #2 school district. My spouse, Julie, is the Assistant Cashier at the Banterra Bank in Marion. We have one son and one daughter. Kirk S. Douglas (31) is a computer operator at the Timberline Industries in Marion, IL; Deborah A. Douglas (32) is a receptionist and Assistant Office Manger at Fabick Equipment in Marion, IL. We have three grandchildren: John Miller (13); Leah Nicole Douglas (4 - beautiful girl - loves her grandpa very much); Erin Denae Douglas (1). She already has a thing for grandpa.

After high school, I graduated from SIU with a BS degree in Forest Management. I worked 2 years in Colorado at Steamboat Springs and 3 years at California Sequia National Forest. I moved back to Marion and taught Chemistry, Physics, and Ecology for 31 years. I retired in 1994 (brain-dead). I fish and hunt and take care of my three grandchildren. My greatest honor and achievement is my family of which I am very proud and love very, very, much.

In grade school, my first spanking was by Wilbern Boatright. In junior high, I thought girls were smooth boys. In high school, I found out that girls were not smooth boys and I loved it. It was my job to get Alan Kuhn from the city dump to Brenda Collin's house.



Lois (Draper) Zdankiewicz

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I work part-time at Sam's Club in Marion. I am also a full-time homemaker. My husband, William, is a retired coal miner. We have 3 sons (1 deceased) and four daughters: Nancy Hayes (40) is a nurse; Rebecca Reeder (38) is a teacher's aide for special kids; Lois Hancock (37) has her own beauty shop; Lisa LaBotte (33) is a training supervisor at Sam's Club; Joe Zdankiewicz (35) is an engineer for District 9 IDOT; Billy Zdankiewicz (27) is also an engineer for District 9 IDOT; One son died at birth.

We have 12 grandchildren: Aaron Hayes (18); Melissa Hayes (15) Kara and Tara Hayes (13); Kelli Hancock (15); Charity Hancock (11); Caleb Reeder (8); Rindi Bangs (15); Tyson bangs (13); Shane Zdankiewicz (7); Cody Zdankiewicz (6); Bryan Zdankiewicz (3); and Jacob Zdankiewicz (1).

I have been very happily married for the past 40 years. I have been blessed that all of my family has been able to stay in Southern Illinois area. We have 27 people in our immediate family and my time has been taken up with being close to my children and grandchildren, which we both enjoy. We are enjoying my husband's retirement now and hope to travel more.



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I was a telephone engineer for 30 years. I am now self-employed doing home repairs. My wife, Carol Wiley Drury, is a partner in our home repair business. We have 3 sons and 2 daughters: Jeff (36) is an auto mechanic in New Smyrna Beach, FL; Alan (35) is a foreman at a computer parts manufacturer in Daytona Beach, FL; Christine (32) is in sales at Bealls Department Store in Ormond Beach, FL; Kent, who was in the U.S. Marines, was killed in a motorcycle accident on July 26, 1996 at the age of 28; Michele (28) works at the Bose speaker factory in North Adams, MI. We have two grandchildren: Derek (9) and Brittnee (11).

My hobbies include riding my Honda Gold Wing motorcycle, antique shopping, walking, bike riding and woodworking. I worked as an engineer for GTE for nine years in Marion, Sparta, and Bloomington, IL. I moved to Daytona Beach, FL in 1969 and worked as a contract engineer for various telephone companies in Florida, Georgia and Tennessee for thirty years. Since then, I have been self-employed in the home repair and maintenance business. My wife, Carol, works with me most of the time.

I've always been thankful to Clarence DeMattei for teaching me drafting, which helped me get my start with the telephone company. Also, I want to thank Harold Mieure and Frank Steh, Jr. who, along with my dad, taught me to work with my hands and build things. I remember loading up in the truck with all the other guys in building trades class and going out to build the house in the aft ernoons in my Junior and Senior years of high school. I still have some of the things that I built in shop class.

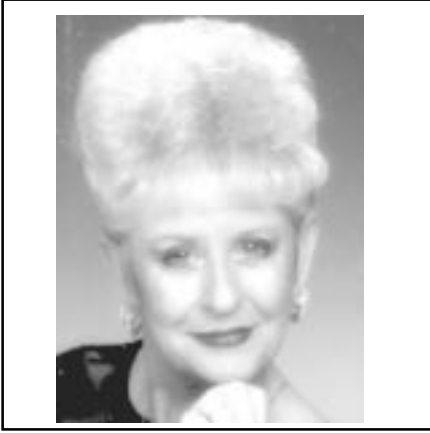


Deanna (Dungey) Baker

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I am a housewife and my husband, Phil, is a sales representative for ICI explosives. We have four sons: Brian (40) who is retired from the U.S. Navy; Kevin (37) who is a stock broker; Rick (33) who is a carpenter; Bill (31) who is a floral designer. We also have six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren: Trina (27); Ron (25); K.T. (13); Jacqueline (11); Tim (8); and Brett (1). Our great-grandchildren are: Andrea (7); Brooke (5); Ray (3); and Shelby (1).

I have sung in the St. Charles Choral Society and volunteered at the local hospital for 8 years. I've spent a lot of time crocheting. We have a very close family so there are a lot of family activities. We are also involved with AIDS activities as our youngest son has AIDS.



Betty Jeanne (Emerson) Blades

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I am the Office Manager for a local construction company. My spouse, Everett, is a Special Service Technician at General Telephone and Electronics. We have one son, William D. Blades, who is a coal miner at Kerr McGee Coal mine. His wife, Nikki, works as a secretary at Martin Electric in Johnston City, IL. We are still hoping for grandchildren.

My husband and I have lived at our present address for the last 38 years, which is how long we have been married. Our son is 32 years old and has been married for almost 5 years to Nikki Sue Linton. She is a wonderful young lady. We are hoping for at least 2 grandchildren. We have just bought a second house to rent and have been remodeling. My husband and son are both avid fishermen. Nikki likes to shop and I am an avid golfer. I also co-counsel teenagers from 16-21 on trips to Europe.

I was such a shy, backward student in high school that I really don't remember much. I just know I am not that same shy person anymore. I have special memories of Elaine Dodds, Karyle Holland and Louisa Hans. They were special people to me in grade school and high school.



Lyda "Judy" (Ferguson) Manning

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I have been a mail clerk for 14-1/2 years. My husband, Jack, is deceased. We did not have any children.

Before my husband was killed in 1978, we traveled extensively with the military (8 1/2 years with the Air Force). We were in Scotland for 3 years and San Angelo, TX for 3 years. In 1966, my husband, Jack, got out of the Air Force and went into the Navy. We were in Norfolk, VA, Charleston, SC, and finally, 8 years in Italy where he was killed. I returned to Marion in September, 1978, and started working for the Post

Office in 1983. I returned to college and received an associate degree in computers with secondary in Medical Transcriptions. I've had a bad back for the last seven years due to an on-the-job injury and have had four back surgeries, the last being in March, 1997. But the happy thing is that in 1-1/2 years I can retire due to working for the Navy in Italy for 4-1/2 years plus 14 years with the Post Office. I then plan to move to Salem, OR to be with what remains of my family. I was married 19 years to a wonderful man, but unfortunately, we had no children.

We don't know how happy (or sad) we are in High School until we become older and see those again who made us happy (or sad). I have forgotten the sad events but just being young and around friends in high school I'll remember away.



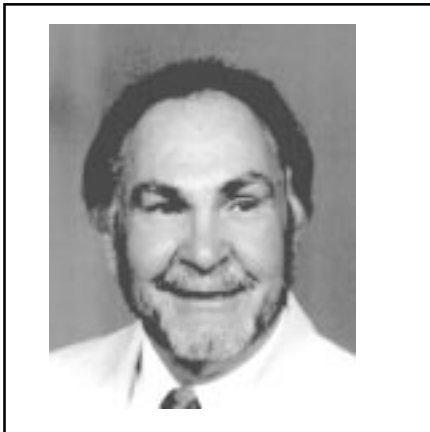
Larry Lee Feurer

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I am a retired Electrical Engineer for the CIPS company. My spouse, Darlene, is a secretary. We have one son and one daughter.

Laura Martin (34) is married to Michael Anthony Martin and is employed at the Blue Cross/Blue Shield in Marion, IL; Brett A. Feurer (31) is married to Leslie Litton and is employed by the Hilco Technologies, Inc. in St. Louis, MO. We have two grandchildren: Ashleigh Rene Martin (12); and Alison Paige Martin (8).

Darlene and I have been blessed with two great children and two wonderful grandchildren with another grandchild awaiting delivery. Watching the growth and progress of these people has been a special treat. I worked for CIPS Co. for over 31 years and retired in October 1995 to a life of golf, volunteering in the community, and leisure activities (anything I want to do when I want to do it, if Darlene doesn't object). Along the way I received a BS in Electrical Engineering from the University of Illinois and spent 2 years at Fort George G. Meade, MD with the U. S. Army.



Louis Fluck

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I am a minister for the United Church of Christ. I am divorced.

I was in the United States Army reserves from 1956 to 1964. In 1963, I received my BS from Northwestern College, my MS from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, IL in 1965, and my Master of Divinity from Bangor Theological Seminary in 1975. I taught at the Marion Senior High School from 1965 to 1968. I served as a licensed minister in the Illinois South Conference. I was ordained in the Christian ministry on April 6, 1975. I have served churches in the Illinois South

Conference of the United Church of Christ for 20 years. The last six years, I have served as interim pastor. I have been at the Community Evangelical Church in San Antonio since July, 1995. I am divorced with no children. For the last four years, I have been doing genealogical research on my family tracing the surname of Fluck back to 1689. I also collect current U. S. Coins.

Since I played football and participated in track and field, I have many memories of high school events. It may sound strange but I remember the noon hour the most - the food wasn't that great in the cafeteria. Perhaps that is why we made so many trips across the street to Elliott's Dairy for a shake and a hamburger. As you know, my folks ran the Country Kitchen west of Marion. During my senior year, my folks talked Janet Ash into bringing my brothers and sisters and I home for lunch in exchange for a free meal for Janet.



Claude Ray Fuller

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I am a Southern Baptist Minister and my spouse, Janice Marks Fuller, is an executive secretary and a home builder. We have one son and one daughter: Brian Ray Fuller (38) is a Southern Baptist Pastor at Marshall, IL. He is married and has a daughter; Denice Fuller Phillips (32) is a school counselor/teacher at Salem, IL. She is married and has two sons. We have three grandchildren: Zachary Stephen Phillips (7); Alex Michael Phillips (2); and Meredith Rae Fuller (1).

I was in the United States Air Force for four years. My education consists of a Bachelor's, Masters, and Doctor's degree. I have lived in Mississippi, Japan, North Dakota, Texas and Illinois. I received a Distinguish Service Citation from the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and published a book on Ministers' Support Groups. I have pastored 3 churches and I am now the Director of a large association of churches in Northern Illinois. The highlight of my life has been that I have been married to my high school sweetheart, Janice Marks, for 40 years.



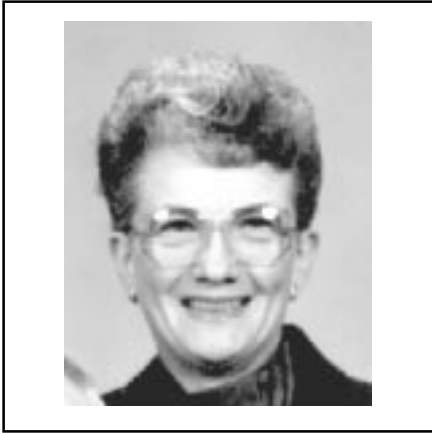
Kenneth Eugene Fuller

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I am a retired school teacher in the Mt. Vernon school system. My wife, Elaine, is an accountant. We have one son and two daughters: Lori (37) is a draftsman; Brian (34) is the manager of a retail store. He also sings Christian contemporary music; Jenni (23) is a school teacher in Tennessee. We have five grandchildren: Brandon Smith (16); Bryce Smith (12); Brittany Smith (10); Lyndsey Fuller (12); and Austin Fuller (9).

I obtained my Bachelor's Degree in Business Education at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, IL and McKendree College and my Master's Degree in Business (Vocational Education) at Southern Illinois University. I taught high school at Mt. Vernon, IL for 30 years. My interests includes singing with the family (we have made 4 record albums), playing the piano, and visiting with my children and grandchildren.

I went to school at Spillertown grade school thru the 6th grade, Marion Junior High School for the 7th and 8th grades, and of course, four years at the Marion High School. My school days were pretty dull. I was rather shy in school and didn't participate much, mainly because I lived in the country and didn't have transportation. My shyness, however, disappeared. Just ask my wife!



Mathilda L. (Germann) Bayles

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I am an Registered Nurse in the Intensive Care Unit at the VA Medical Center in Marion, IL. My spouse, Robert, is with the Twin County Service Company, also in Marion. We have one daughter: Ann Bayles Graham who graduated from Crab Orchard High School, John A Logan College, and Southern Illinois University with a BS in Agriculture. She works at an animal hospital in Ottawa, IL. Her patients only bark, bite, or meow. She is 27 years old. We have no grandchildren at present, just Ann and Randy's English Bulldog, "T" (AKA-Tequila)

An achievement I am proud of is the implementing of the cardiopulmonary rehab unit at the Herrin Hospital in 1986, but I was "downsized" to 24 hours per week and couldn't do that with my daughter Ann in college. So I am at the VA. My hobby is collecting pink depression glass and antiquing with friends.

When I see sugar cubes, I remember latin class, Miss Patterson, and our "construction" projects.



Wilma Jean (Hampton) Lawson

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I am a Professional Engineer with a power cooperative and will retired on January 31, 1997. My spouse is deceased. I have two sons and two daughters: Patricia Lynn Lawson Bryant (44) is in the insurance business; Jerry Thomas Lawson (42) is a shop foreman; Jackie Dean Lawson (40) is a warehouse supervisor; Jeanie Lynn Lawson Martin (27) is a Texas A&M graduate. I have five grandchildren: Keri Dee Ann Bryant (26) who is an Embry-Riddle graduate; Lela Marie Lawson (15); Megan Amanda Lawson (13); Sara Grage Lawson (10), and O. N. Irving Lawson (9).

I will retire on January 31, 1997. As I sit here waiting to be "retarded", I have no idea where life will lead me after that. By the time I get to the reunion, maybe I'll hae a better idea.

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Louisa Ann (Hans) Howell

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I do needlework and recently retired from the Frame and Needlework Shop. My spouse, Billy Howell, is a retired principal of the Millstadt Community Schools grade school. We have one son and one daughter: Justin Howell (35) is a Mid-Coast cabinet maker for aircraft renovation; Angelia Howell Zumwalt (32).

My hobbies include needlework, cross stitching, quilting, sprint car racing (spectator only).



Thomas L. Harper

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I am a retired Electronic Engineer for the McDonnell-Douglas Aircraft Corporation where I worked for 37 years. I currently work in maintenance at Visalia Unified School District in Visalia, CA. My spouse, Shirley Shoot, is a housewife and a substitute secretary. We have one son, Sean T. Harper (29) who is a teacher in Turlock, CA and an assistant baseball coach at Modesto Jr. College, also in California. Sean is married to the former Dawn Caldwell from Crescent City, CA. Both Sean and Dawn graduated from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, CA college. Although Dawn has an Agriculture Business degree, she has chosen to work as a licensed hairdresser in Turlock, CA. We

have no grandchildren.

Shirley and I moved to Visalia, CA from Hazelwood, MO some 17-1/2 years ago. Our son, Sean, was starting the 7th grade at the time. I love living in California. Visalia is located in the center of the state, both vertically and horizontally. The area is basically very conservative and mostly agriculturally oriented. I like any outdoor activities in the warm, dry, California weather. Do quite a lot of power boating during the summer months. I enjoy laying in the swimming pool in our back yard. After retiring from McDonnell Douglas, I stayed at home for two months and decided I was not ready for that. I went to work in the maintenance department at Visalia Unified School district.

I was kinda' wild in high school. I enjoyed hanging out at the "Ranch" east of the Village of Crab Orchard. "'Jody" Thompson and "Mouse" McClanahan were my dance partners almost nightly.



Frankie (Hart) Boatright

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I am a mother and salesperson. My spouse, Charles Boatright, is a merchant. We have two sons and one daughter: Beth McCurdy is a CPA and a mother; Brad Boatright is a salesman; Brittin Boatright is a banker and a father. We have three grandchildren: Jeff McCurdy (8); Sarah McCurdy (6); and Benjamin Boatright (2). Benjamin is expecting a new brother just any time.

Charles and I have lived on the same street for the 39 years we have been married. I love swimming, golf, and walking on the beach.

The memory I have of the Marion High School is the first day of school - I was a Junior and a new kid on the block.



Wesley Don Helm

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I am the President of Delco Electronics in Europe. My spouse, Patricia Chester, is a homemaker. We have two sons and one daughter. Timothy Scott (35) is the Executive Director of the YMCA in Dayton, OH; Mark Alan (32) is an advanced research engineer for Micron Electronics in Boise, ID; and Kristin Ann (25) is a TV News Reporter/Anchor for the CBS affiliate in Youngstown, OH. We have four grandchildren: Allison Ann (6); twins Tyler Anthony and Erik Andrew (2); and Parker Austin (6 months).

I graduated from Purdue University with a BSME in 1962 and obtained my MBA at Ball State University in 1967. I graduated from Harvard University in 1984 from their Advanced Management Program. After graduation from Purdue, I joined General Motors at Delco Remy Division in Anderson, IN. I have had many assignments with different divisions but always with GM in Indiana, Louisiana, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Germany. I have had my present assignment in Wiesbaden, Germany since January, 1994. Pretty boring but Pat can cover all the neat things we've done and seen and our family during the last 40 years.

I have lots of fond memories of many incidents from grade school thru high school. One of the most memorable was when the Jefferson School burned when we were in the 4th grade and we spent the balance of the 4th and 5th grades in the Logan Gym before returning to the "new" Jefferson for the 6th grade. That experience was just the beginning of meeting new classmates who would be part of the Class of '57. From there we went on to Junior High, survived Ms. Barham, Cash, Rodd, etc. to join the rest of the Class of '57. As they say, from there on is history! Can't wait to see everyone at the reunion.



Karyle "Carol" (Holland) Ashton

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I am a Registered Nurse and work in Administration. My spouse, Jack, is an Activity Therapist. We have 2 sons, one stepson, and one stepdaughter: Cody (33) works for the Illinois Department of Corrections; Gracy (31) is an auto body technician. We have four grandchildren: Brittany (7); Kelsea Yvonne - named after me! (5); Ryan (5); and Emily (4).

I obtained my BS and MS degrees in education at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, IL. After nurses training, it took 19 years part-time for me to get my BS (probably a record). Life has gone extremely well with a few valleys, including one of our children's divorce, death of parents, hip replacement and the adjustment of life with Multiple Sclerosis. I wouldn't trade one minute of it! Nominated for 1997 LTC Registered Nurse of the Year.

My memories of Marion High School include giggling with Sue Pankey Fitts, Louisa Hans Howell, Pat Berkel Mandrell. Probably most memorable are associations with wonderful families such as Dodds, Berkel, DeMattei, Hans, Pankey, Feurer, Rector, Anderson, Holderfield, Baker, Dunaway, and I could go on! My life has been filled with lots of caring and I hope to share in some small way. It has been a joy to serve on the 1957 Reunion Planning Committee.

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Donna Faye Holman

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I am a retired telephone operator with the General Telephone Company.



James Esco Jackson

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I am a custodian at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. My wife, Doris Morgan, is a receptionist. We have three daughters: Pam Fowler (38) is a secretary at Fowler Heating and Cooling in Marion, IL; Shelia Powell (34) is the assistant manager over Dietary at the Marion Memorial Hospital; Amber Parks (24) is a secretary at Fowler Heating & Cooling. We have four grandchildren: Nikki Powell (16); Tyson Powell (11); Katie Fowler (11); and Kerie Fowler (11).

I have been preaching for 41 years and have been at Southern Illinois University for 31 years. I enjoy camping and traveling.



James Lee Jenkins

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I am a career counselor and my wife, Judith, is a secretary. We have one son and one daughter: Amanda works in marketing research; Michael is a student at Sacramento State University at Sacramento, CA. We have no grandchildren.

My hobby is computers. I retired from the United States Air Force in 1977 and worked on the Navajo Indian Reservation (in Arizona) for 3 years. I then worked for the Department of Defense as an Educational Specialist for 17 years. I then retired from Federal Service in 1994 with 20 years service. I currently work for the Oakland

Private Industry Council (JTPA) in Oakland, CA as a program manager. This is my final full-time job.



Alice Louise (Kelley) Taylor

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I am a housewife and my spouse, Charles Ray Taylor, is a retired coal miner. We have two daughters: Christine Robinson (34) who is a secretary at Suzuki main office in Atlanta, GA. She is married to Darrell Robinson who is the principal of a Christian school in Lithia Springs, GA; Susan Ranae Crawford (37) who works at the Mt. Vernon, IL Post Office. Her husband, Bob Crawford, works at the Rend Lake prison as a guard. We have five grandchildren: Derrick Andrew Robinson (9); Christopher Darren Robinson (13); Robby Williams (17); Amber Dawn Williams (13); and Cheyenne Ranae Crawford (1-1/2).

My hobbies include God, Church, sewing, reading, quilting, and time with grandchildren. My husband retired and we lived near Atlanta, GA for two years, so we were close to our daughter and her family. We also lived at Sparta, IL for 25 or 26 years. I worked at the United Methodist Church in Marion, IL in 1958, Southern Illinois University as a secretary at the library, Good Luck Glove Company at Carbondale in 1962, nursing home in Sparta, sewing factory in Sparta, delivered Atlanta Journal to stores in Dalla, GA. I now help church ladies sell food at auctions. I will be married 40 years to the same man on November 8, 1997.



Donald Ralph Kenyon

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I am a retired electrician and my wife, Mirian, is a retired elementary school teacher. We have one daughter, Deborah (35) who is married to Michael Trader. Michael is a full-time engineer with the United States Department of Energy at Hanford, WA (where the first atomic bomb was concocted in 1945 and where Debbie and her colleagues are still cleaning up bad goop). We have two grandchildren, Jason Trader (3) and Cameron Trader (1 month).

My wife, Mirian, still hasn't thrown me back into the pond and re-baited her hook despite almost 38 years of marriage. About three years ago, we retired and refugeed out of Salem, Oregon to a city of 539 at the center of Nebraska, 23 miles from a stoplight and 36 miles from an Interstate highway. We built (that's build as in achesy muscles and hands-on sweat) a 2,800 SF house on 1-1/2 acres of land. Mirian travels, plays bridge, and socializes. I raise tomatoes, enjoy the occasional blizzards, and gaze out in wonder at the weird goings-on in distant locales like Grand Island, Omaha, and Points East while conniving to stay almost completely off the interstates. Oh, yeah -- in this 2,700 square mile cattle and corn country where the telephone book lists the sundry line camps after the entry for each ranch, I decline the occasional offer of a cow horse and the chance to, as the locals put it, "go out and chase cows for awhile."



Lawrence Joseph Kuzela

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I am a food bank coordinator. I have no children or grandchildren.

Following a career in marketing Public Relations, I "dropped out" and worked as a free-lance writer and newspaper columnist. In 1990, I was named "best columnist" in Orange County, CA. (Does anyone recall "Cutting Kapers with Kuzela" in our school paper?). Currently, I am administering the Food Distribution Program for AIDS Services Foundation in Orange County, California.

The greatest lesson I learned in high school was to believe in yourself! I lost the senior class presidency because I didn't vote for myself. I never forgot that.



Kenneth Franklin Malone

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Both my wife, Ellie Malone, and I are retired. We have one son and two daughters. Jeff, is a teacher; Beckie (49) is a mortgage loan underwriter; Teri (46) is a registered nurse. We have two grandchildren: Jaron (3); and Haley (4 months old); We have four step-grandchildren: Stevan and Angela (29) who are twins; Yancy (28); and Sarah (16).

I enjoy playing, listening to, and singing gospel music. I also work with wood crafts.



Frances Ann (Merritt) Jones

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I am retired. My spouse, Michael Jones, is a painting and remodeling contractor. I have one son, Gregory Eugene Wicks (37) who has been employed at Norge (Maytag) since graduating from high school. He also restores Pontiac Trans-Ams, and Chevrolet Camaros for profit in his spare time. We have two grandchildren: Ashley Marie Wicks (9); and Taylor Ryan Wicks (8).

My hobbies include gardening, canning, sewing, arts & crafts, and home decor; both for my own use as well as for profit. I do not work any more due to extensive surgery on my stomach. However, I am presently enjoying good health. I worked in retailing starting in high school at the W. T. Grant Store located on the square in Marion. I retired in 1973. Between 1988 and 1991, I ran a limousine service. It must have been more for fun than for profit. In 1959, I married Paul E. Wicks. We divorced in 1965. In 1967, I married William T. Bracy. He passed away while we were in Mexico for the winter in 1987. In 1989, I married Charles Michael Jones. We have been separated since May 1, 1997.



Margie Louise (Meyers) Simmons

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I work at a bait shop. My spouse, Ira Simmons Jr, is a retired machinist. We have two sons and three daughters: Lee Ann Simmons Clark (44) is a housewife; Michael Simmons (38) is a truck driver; Janet Simmons Griggs (34) is a mail carrier; Brenda Simmons Clay (33) is a housewife; Daniel Simmons (30) works at Pepsi Cola in Marion. We have seven grandchildren: Jason Emery (24); Cassie Emery (19); Bradley Short (13); Derrick Short (11); April Short (16); Kevin Dixon (11); Alisha Clay (20 months).

I like different kinds of crafts like quilting and embroidery. I have worked for the last 20 years. My husband is retired and works in wood-working in our garage. We have lived in the same house for 38 years.



Sandra Gale (Minton) Barra

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I am a teacher at the Marion High School. My spouse, William Jack Barra is a self-employed mechanic who is semi-retired. We have one daughter: Laura Beth Barra (26) who is an early childhood teacher at Southern Illinois University. We have no grandchildren.

I received my master's degree in marketing at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, IL. I have been a teacher at the Marion High School for the last 36 years.

I am currently the head of the Business Department. I have been the newspaper sponsor for 15 years, and the yearbook sponsor for 28 years. I was chosen the Yearbook Advisor for the Year by the SISPA.

I have many happy memories of Lincoln School - Playground with huge trees, ice cube popsicles, Grace Thomas and multiplication tables, Don Sullins in my first year of teaching, Kool Aid, maps, xmas programs and plays, basketball teams and cheerleading. Junior High - First year for the building, walking a straight line, Fannie Barham, principal, going to basketball games. High School - homecoming floats, old girls gym, dancing at noon time, ice capades trips to St. Louis, and active clubs.



John Richard Mitchell

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I am a high school calculus teacher at Carson High School in Carson, CA. My spouse, Linda, is the owner of an advertising business. We have one son and two daughters: Joel Mitchell (30); Rebecca Lint (27) who is married to Lyle Lint. Lyle is a plumber; and Delaina (23) who is an actress and entrepreneur. We have two grandchildren: Katherine C. Lint (5) and Christne M. Lint (3). Another one is on the way.

My hobbies include tennis, playing the stock market, and connecting with old friends either in person or on the internet.

I have too many memories of the years at Marion High School to mention any of them.

(Editors note: John has been very busy since he graduated from High School but is too modest to include any of his vocations and other "notes of fame" for his fellow classmates to read.)



Linda Sue (Moore) Bernhard

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I am an elementary teacher in the Marion school system. My spouse, Ronald Bernhard is an electrician with the Southern Illinois Power Cooperative. We have one son and two daughters: Bradley Bernhard (35) is a physician (internal medicine) at Kirkwood, MO; Traci Curry (30) is a chemist with Martin Merietta Chemical plant in Paducah, KY; and Jennifer Bernhard (21) who is a senior at Southern Illinois University. We have three grandchildren: Ian Bernhard (6); Thomas Bernhard (4); and Kaitlyn Curry (3).

After being married for 18 years and having three children, I returned to SIU to complete my bachelor degree in elementary education. I have taught 4th and 5th grade for 19 years at Marion, IL.



Marcia Ann Morgan

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I am retired from the Peace Corps and the US Department of State. After graduating in journalism from the University of Illinois in 1961, I joined the Peace Corps and was assigned to a rural secondary school in Nigeria as an English teacher. After a two-year tour, I went to Israel to work on a Kibbutz. Kibbutzim were much different than my romantic imaginings. Folks didn't march off to the fields in the morning singing hava na'ghilla. It was a lot of hard work, and I came away with great respect for the Israelis. I left Israel and moved to Jordan where I worked on a dig at the Dead Sea scrolls site

- gopher work only.

When I ran out of time and money to travel, I went back to graduate school at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy near Boston, I obtained my MA in International Relations. I was soon back to work for the Peace Corps as a staff member of a new program in Micronesia. I then moved to Thailand during the Vietnam War era. From there I moved to Nepal where I trained a group of engineers to work on water projects in the Himalayan foothills. After Nepal, I spent some time marching a lot in the US for Civil Rights, Vietnam, etc., all of the causes of the late sixties and early seventies. I soon took a job as Director of International Programs at Texas Tech at Lubbock, TX. Soon after, I returned to the Peace Corps as the Director and went back to Thailand. When Cambodia and Laos fell, I took a job with the State Department as Director of Refugee training, a job I held until I retired in 1996 after 25 years with the Federal Government.

I now run a small inn, a store that sells folk art from around the world, and on the side I raise miniature donkeys. After 25 years with the government, I figure I know all there is to know about jackasses, so the donkey business should be a success. Stop by the Inn at Lost River if you ever find yourself in West Virginia.



Ronald Louis Moroni

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I am a minister and grocery bagger. My spouse, Shelby is a homemaker. We were never blessed with children.

I attended Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. Surrendered to ministry on November 8, 1958. Transferred to Southwest Baptist College in Boliver, Missouri and received an AA degree in 1961. Ordained to ministry in 1962. Moved to Cambellsville, Kentucky College in 1964. Married my wife, Shelby Burger, in 1964.

From 1969 to 1992, I was in the hardware business at Creal Springs, Illinois. In 1992, I moved to a new life at Danville, Kentucky. I am now a grocery bagger at Food Lion, do supply work in churches, and play the piano and organ at the Presbyterian Church in Perryville, Kentucky. We are Southern Baptists.

When I was a reporter for "The Student", I was asked to interview the late Bertha Cline and find out where she had gone during the summer. Her answer, "I've been hither and yon." I also wrote newspaper items for the Vienna Times and Marion Daily



Glenn Eldon McNary

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I am a veterinarian and my spouse, Janice, is a graphics designer. We have one son and one daughter: Amy (25) is a CPA and a full-time law school student working on a masters for tax lawyers; Brad (22) graduates from the United States Naval Academy in computer engineering in May 1997 and begin Navy pilot training in August, 1997. We have no grandchildren.

We have lived in the Houston area almost 20 years and enjoy it very much. I still practice full-time animal medicine and surgery and probably will for a long time. We enjoy the mild winters and all the outdoor activities available here in Texas and on the gulf coast.

I work with a lot of young people everyday and when I see the problems they face and how they deal with them compared to what we went through, I feel we were very fortunate to have grown up in a small town middle-class America in the 1950's.

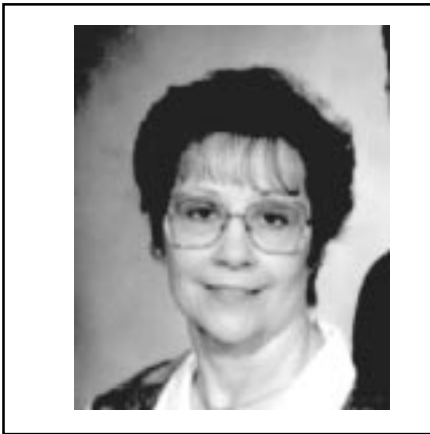


Charles Ronald Odum

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I am the Deputy Warden with the Arizona Department of Corrections. My spouse, Glenda Lee, is a secretary. We have one son and one daughter: Kelli D. Jaurequi (27) is a housewife; Charles Lee Odum (18) is a student. We have two grandchildren: David Kyle Jaurequi (2); and Charles Andrew Jaurequi (4 months).

My wife and I have resided in five different states. I retired from the Federal Bureau of Prisons in 1993 after 27 years of service. I have worked for the Arizona Department of Corrections for the last four years. My hobbies are hunting and fishing.



Judy Zoanna (Odum) Mezo

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I am a sales associate for Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. My spouse, Paul, is a retired tuckpointer. We have one son and one daughter: Curtis Mezo (36) is the manager of the Murdale Water District in Carbondale, IL; Paula Mezo (32) is the Administrative Specialist at Purdue University in Indiana. We have two grandchildren: Jamie Mezo (11); and Elise Mezo (4).

Paul and I were married in April of 1960. We had our children soon after and that is how I kept busy until 1982. After my husband suffered a heart attack and subsequent surgery, I returned to the work force. I have worked for Wal-Mart for 15 years and have held a number of positions. To relax, I enjoy crocheting, needlework, ceramics, and I love to cook. My life may not be glamorous by some standards but when I look at my family, I realize that my life is good and I am truly blessed.



Phyllis Jean (Owen) Gray

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I am an Executive Secretary for the Crane Co. I do corporate internal audits. My spouse, Gerald, is a retired supervisor at McDonnell-Douglas Aircraft Company at St. Louis. We have three daughters: Judy Gray Smith (38) who teaches 2nd grade at Fox School District in Arnold, Missouri; Valerie Gray Bodden (31) who works at CVS Pharmacy in Boston, Mass. Her husband is in the Air Force; and Cara Sue Gray Daniel (36) who is the owner of photography studios in Florissant, Ballwin, and O'Fallon, Missouri. We have six grandchildren: Jennifer Smith (18); Stephanie

Smith (15); Stephen Smith (12); Tiffany Daniel (13); Tara Daniel (10); and Taylor Bodden (5).

We celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary in 1997. Our life has revolved around church, family and friends. Now that we are about to fully retire, we hope to travel and take life a little slower and easier. It's been a great life and gets better all the time.



Jimmie Dale Phemister

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I am a retired engineer for the General Telephone Company in Marion. My spouse, Judith, is a housewife. We have three daughters: Lynn Florian (34) who works in the personnel office at the VA Medical Center in Marion; Teri Masters (33) who works for the State of Illinois Public Aid office; and Lisa Stewart (31) who is a teacher at the Jonesboro Grade School. We have seven grandchildren: Michael Masters (11); Alyssa Masters (6); Ashley Masters (5); Kyle Florian (10); Kaci Florian (8); Tyler Stewrt (3); and Emily Stewart (1).

I worked as an engineer with General Telephone Company in Marion, IL for 33 years. I retired in 1991. I then started an insulation and electrical business which I am presently running. I also sell real estate and have been building houses for the past six years.

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Robert D. Poole

10629 Highway 127
Murphysboro, IL 62966

I am a maintenance lineman for the Egyptian Electric Cooperative. My wife, Patricia, is a nurse and a journalist. We hve two sons and three daughters, six stepsons and two step-daughters. We also have 14 grandchildren and 3 step-grandchildren.

We live on a small acreage just outside the Murphysboro City Limits. We spend the majority of our free time with out gardens, lawns and the care and maintenance of a small lake. We also enjoy bluegill fishing and week-end trips when time permits.



Shirley (Shoot) Harper

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I am a housewife and part-time secretary. My spouse, Thom Harper, is a retired electronic engineer at McDonnell-Douglas Aircraft Corporation. We have one son, Sean Thomas Harper (29) who is the baseball assistant coach and teacher at Modesto Junior College. We have no grandchildren.

I enjoy bible studies, exercises, boating, camping, and gardening. For approximately 14 years, we were sports parents, attending Sean's baseball and football games. For additional information, see Tom Haper's biographical sketch.



Phyllis Ann (Stanley) Green

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I am an interior decorator and my spouse, Donald E. Green, is in commercial construction. we have one son and one daughter: Mark (38) works for Southwest Airlines in Nashville, Tennessee; and Rhonda Saunders (39) is an artist and homemaker and lives in Newport News, Virginia. We have three grandchildren: Margaret Anne Saunders (11); Stevie Saunders (9); and Jamie Lin (1).

We enjoy playing tennis and collecting antique French and German dolls. I attended Orange Coast College for 2-1/2 years and took classes in Interior Design. Don and I have been happily married for 32 years. Don is employed with Matt Construction Company in Los Angeles, California. We have lived in Southern California for almost 32 years.



Jerald Lynn Staudacher

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I am a retired Business Manager for the McDonnell-Douglas Aircraft Company in St. Louis, Missouri. My spouse, Judy (Irwin), is a secretary. We have three daughters: Lynn Ann Margerum (33) is a housewife; Dawn Aleece Koopmann (31) is an International Business Contract Negotiator for McDonnell-Douglas Aircraft Co; and Jennifer Erin Robbins (22) is in advertising/sales for the Maritz Co. We have five grandchildren: Austin Koopmann (3); Danielle Margerum (7); Sean Margerum (5); Katlyn Margerum (3); and Laura Margerum (1).

I graduated from Southern Illinois University in 1961 and was commissioned into the United States Air Force as a 2nd Lt. and entered flight school. I flew for approximately 6 years for the military, attaining the rank of Captain. In 1967, I resigned my commission and moved my family to St. Louis, Missouri and went to work for McDonnell-Douglas. I retired in 1994 after 27 years with McDonnell-Douglas. I now enjoy reading and playing a little golf. Judy and I travel frequently in the United States and to foreign countries.

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DeAnn (Stout) Wollard

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I am a housewife. My spouse, Lee V. Wollard, is the Business Superintendent at Goreville Schools. We have three daughters: Kathy Kent (37) is a dietitian at the Marion Memorial Hospital in Marion, Illinois; Crystal Maze (33) works at the Heartland Clinic in Marion, Illinois; Carleen Douglas (27) works at Wal-Mart in Marion. We have six grandchildren: Benjie Kent who is married to Michelle Hughes; Lori Kent (16); Cody Maze (13); Seth Maze (9); Leah Nicole Douglas (3); and Erin Douglas (1). We also have one great-grandchild, Nicole Lynn Kent.

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Leah Linda (Swan) Meyer

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I am a Legal Secretary and my spouse, Robert, is the vehicle maintenance supervisor for the Air National Guard. We have one son and one daughter. Dale R. Meyer (28) is a computer operations engineer; Lori B. Meyer (25) is a merchandise Visuals technician. We have no grandchildren (sadly). We have just moved to Arizona from Missouri.

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Helen Uline (Utle) Hope

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I am a housewife and my spouse, James B. "Jim" Hope, is the auto body shop foreman at Erwin N. Baker, Inc. Chevrolet dealership in Marion, Illinois. We have two sons and two daughters: Richard Hope (45) is an insurance adjuster for Country Companies; Joyce Hope (41) works for Hope-Eubanks Photography Studio; Shawn Hope (26) is a drafting engineer with Primex Technologies (formerly Olin Corporation) in Marion, Illinois; and Shanea McReaken (25). We have seven grandchildren: Brad Hope (25); Travis Hope (16); Michael Eubanks (11); Cole McReaken (4); Mason

McReaken (2); Austin Hope (3); and Ashlyn Hope (1).



Evelyn (Walker) Perry

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I am a secretary/receptionist and my fiancee, Jerry Lasseter, is a land manager. I have two sons and one daughter: Bill Dean Perry, deceased in 1997 at the age of 39; Larry Dale Perry, disabled at the age of 36 in an automobile accident; Tracy Evelyn Deering (33) who is a systems analysis with Blue Cross/Blue Shield in Marion, Illinois. I have four grandchildren: Wendy Lynn Perry (7); Dustin William Perry (4-1/2); Sonny Dean Perry (3); and Gage Alan Perry (3).

My hobbies and interest include walking/step aerobics, Nintendo, movies, traveling, shopping for antiques, and gospel music. I enjoy singing gospel music but haven't been able to since the death of my husband. I attended John A. Logan College in 1988 in a class of medical terminology and in 1993 in a class for computer/word processing. I have typed church bulletins out of my home for eight years (1976 to 1984) on a weekly basis. I have been mostly a housewife during my marriage but went back to work in 1988 and have worked ever since except when my late husband was terminally ill with cancer.

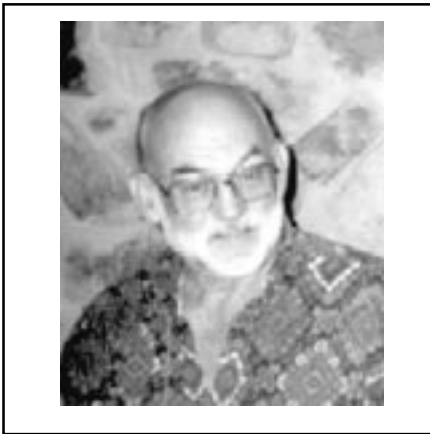


Winona (Wandling) Katnik

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I am a retired college health Registered Nurse. My spouse, LeRoy, is a retired teacher/coach. We have one son and one daughter: Lori Stein (30) is a dental hygienist; Kent Katnik (29) is a commercial pilot. We have two grandchildren: Kaitlin Stein (3); and Austin Stein (3 months).

I have been in the nursing profession for 33 plus years. I retired in 1993 and continue to work on-call at the UCI Student Health Service. My husband taught PE/Social Studies and coached football, basketball and track. We enjoy traveling, especially cruising, and do volunteer work at a food bank for the homeless. Our daughter's husband is a dentist in the East Bay area of California. They are parents of our two precious grandchildren. Our son is a pilot for Frontier Airlines. He is based in Denver and lives in LaFayette (a suburb of Denver). His wife teaches and coaches in a private school in LaFayette.

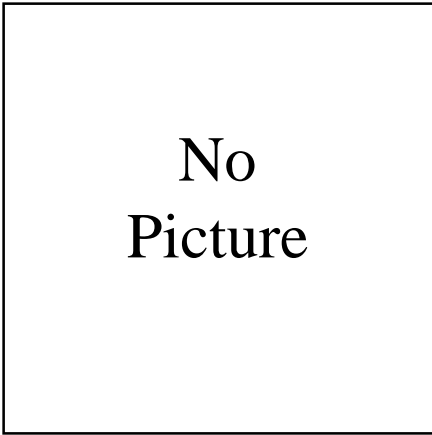


Loren Wendell Wicks

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I own Wicks Construction Company. My spouse, Ruth, is a former insurance agent. We have two sons and one daughter: Deborah S. Sherman (44) is an educator; Michael W. Brown (42) is a sub-contractor for Wicks Construction Company; Timothy Carter (37) is a manager for Wal-Mart Stores. We have four grandchildren: Justin J. Sherman (26) who is in medical research; Joshua M. Brown (20) is in factory work; Jeromy F. Sherman (19) is a Freshman in college; and Loren M. Brown (18) just graduated from high school this year.

My hobbies include bowling, gambling, and antique cars. My interest is in working, making money, children, and grandchildren. I have been married to Ruth for 26 years. We just work and play. We take one vacation a year, in January, and usually on a cruise in the Carribean, Virgin Islands, or sometimes Hawaii. I have no honors or recognition, except through my children and grandchildren.



Margaret "Betsy" (Williams) Lewis

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I am a retired Personnel Clerk and Training Technician in the USDA, Soil Conservation Service. My spouse, Bill, is a retired postmaster. We have one daughter: Beth Lewis Spivey (31) who is an interior designer. We have one grandson: Taylor Lewis Spivey (6 weeks).

My hobbies include handwork and traveling. I served with the Illinois Baptist as an consultant for preschoolers.



Donald D. Wilson

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I am an engineer/manager for the Central Illinois Public Service Company in Springfield, IL. My spouse, Linda, is a school teacher. We have one son and one daughter. Curtis (30) is a sales representative who lives in St. Louis, MO. He has his BS and MBA and is active in the Eagle Scouts. He is married; Elin (27) is a school teacher and lives in Springfield, IL. She has her BA and MA and is married. We have no grandchildren.

I received my BS in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois in 1962 and my MBA in 1983. I have worked in engineering and engineering management with CIPS in Springfield, IL for 35 years. I plan on retiring within the next couple of years. I have been married to Linda for 34 years. My hobbies include computers, electronics, photography, amateur radio and traveling.



Robert Arthur Wilson

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I am a funeral director for the Wilson Funeral Home in Marion, IL. My spouse, Pamala, is the customer service representative for Banterra Bank in Marion, IL. I have one son, Rob Wilson (27) who lives in New York, NY and is an aspiring actor.



Thomas Lee Wimberly

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I am an Economic Development Specialist for the State of Illinois DCCA. I was married (1) to Sara Elizabeth Potter (1961-1975 Divorced) who is a secretary . I married (2) to Sylvia Kay (Evelt) Goldstone (1975) who is a former TWA hostess..

We have (3) sons and (2) daughters between Kay's & my former marriages:
Shannon Wimberly (36) is a printer/farmer, Marion, IL; Wendy Goldstone Pennington (35) is a teaching parent/social worker at Georgia Children's Home, Macon, GA; Adam Goldstone (31) is a construction foreman, Brighton, MI; Steven Wimberly (28)

is an estimator for a bullet-proof glass company, Mt. Vernon, IL; Kara Goldstone Hebert (27) is an office manager for Premiere Marketing in Valparaiso, IN. Our first grandchild, Isabella Kay Goldstone was born September 23, 1997. We are so thrilled. All of our children are married.

I have worked for the State of Illinois in Economic Development for over 28 years. I plan to retire in 1999 or 2000. I also own Wimberly & Associates, a consulting company that specializes in GPS and GIS solutions. My hobbies include genealogy and computers. I received my BA in Liberal Arts at SIU in 1994. I am a past-president of the Illinois Development Council, and served on the Illinois Coal Development Board, the Bi-State Airport Authority, and the Illinois Forestry Council. I obtained the rank of Captain and was the Squadron Commander of the Civil Air Patrol at the Williamson Co. airport for five years. In 1968, I obtained my Private Pilots license and received training in a Bell Jet Ranger helicopter.

I remember in 1956 when Tom Spiller and I drove to West Frankfort during lunch break to see the Shapkoff sisters. We didn't returned until after lunch hour was over. Willam Bundy was waiting for us at the front door yelling, "Why aren't you two in class!" Bundy said he was ashamed of us for skipping school but did not punish us.

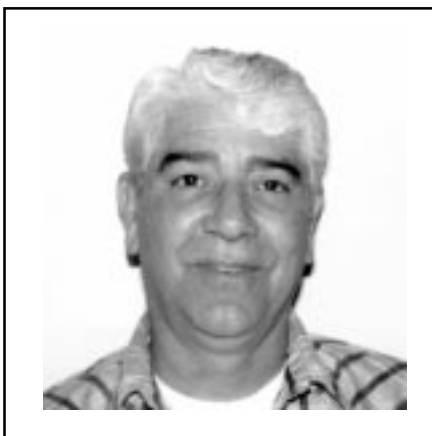


Delores Helen (Wohlwend) Voigt

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I am a hospital administrator. My spouse, Don, is a teacher. We have one son and two daughters: Donald (36); Dana (34) who is a registered nurse; Dyanna (30) is in sales with GE lighting. We have two grandchildren: Conner (3) and Cole (3 months)

My hobbies and interests include reading and estate shopping for antiques and old jewelry. Don and I have been married for 37 years and have lived in Memphis for 33 years. I am employed at Saint Francis Hospital as Administrator of Managed Care and will receive a Masters Degree in health services administration in December, 1997.



Robert Uelison Wyatt

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I am a telephone business service technician. My spouse, Janet Burroughs, is a medical receptionist. We have two daughters. Tracy Lynn Wyatt (32) who is an office manager at the Logan Primary Care Health Services; Jana Lee Schaede (30) is a secretary at MSC Construction, a family owned concrete business. We have two grandchildren: Colton Wyatt Schaede (4) and McKinzi Lee Schaede (6 months).

I enjoy fishing and wood carving. I have been employed by General Telephone Company for 32 years and I have been married to the former Janet Burroughs for 38 years.

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Old Classmates Meet

Sue (Moore) Bernhardt (L) and Delores (Wohlwend) Voigt (R) say blondes really do have more fun! Sorry we misspelled your last name on your ID card, Delores! I wish my grandmother had looked as good as these two grandmothers look!

Enjoying the Reunion

Warren Douglas (L) listening intently as Brenda (Collins) Blume (C) and an unidentified classmate speaks. Brenda's smile lights up the room as usual. That's Shirley (Shoot) Harper pointing in the background. Ask Warren about the "outhouse" and halloween.



Tell us about Germany, Pat!

Patty (Chester) Helm (L) listens while Ron Bernhardt (Sue Moore's husband) (C) looks on while an unidentified classmate is asking Pat a question about where Don and Patty have been living for the last four years. Pat is our class travel guide.



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Official Greeter

Loren and Ruth Wicks (L), Warren Douglas, and Jim Phemister at the Tailgate Party. Warren was our "Official Greeter" at the Tailgate party. Marion lost to Centralia by one point after a good game. Weather was perfect for an outdoor gathering. That's Charlie Anderson and his wife, Mona, behind Ruth Wicks. Wilson's Funeral home provided the tent and chairs for our use. Thank you, Bob!

Cooling the Grill

Warren Douglas (L), Loren Wicks, Charles Anderson, Carole Holland Ashton, Better Emerson Blades, Larry Feurer, and Jim Phemister. Larry did an excellent job cooking the hot dogs and hamburgers that night. We must have had forty or more classmates show up. Everyone kept talking and didn't eat much. Warren's dogs had a feast that night with left-over hamburgers.



Renewing old Friendships

Betty Emerson Blades (L), Sandra Minton Berra, Jim Phemister and Charles Anderson talking about old times at the tailgate get-together. We were all shocked at how young we all looked! After the tailgate party, we all met at the Holiday Inn for an unofficial get-together.

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Two Classmates Catching up

Jack Anderson (R) and Pat Barbaro (L) telling a few friendly jokes and catching up on old times before the dinner party started on Saturday night. Jack said this was the "greatest day in his life!" He really missed all of his old classmates from MHS. We missed you too, Jack! You were our football hero!

Planning Committee

Left to Right: Betty Emerson Blades, Sandra Minton Berra, Elaine Dodds Hancock, Thomas Wimberly, Warren Douglas, Karyle "Carole" Holland Ashton, and Delores Davenport Lovelace. Tom said he was retiring from the planning committee since he has helped organize three reunions. We'll see! Bob Wilson, Larry Feurer, and Francis Merritt Jones were missing from the picture.



Did we forget to Register Someone?

Elaine Dodds Hancock (L) and Carole Holland Ashton (Sitting) checking to see if everyone had registered for the gag gifts. After awhile, Elaine and Carole gave up and joined the party! Our meeting room was too small for the crowd. We'll change that next time.



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Socializing at the Holiday Inn

Delores Davenport Lovelace (L), Brenda Collins Blume and other classmates chatting about the last 15 years since we had our last reunion. We voted to have another reunion in the year 2002. It will be our 45th year reunion. Maybe someone in our class will win the Lotto and invite all of us to the Bahamas for the next reunion.

Waiting for the Photographer

Bob Wilson, Robert Poole, and Louis Fluck on top row, Winona Wandling Katnik, Elaine Dodds Hancock, Norma Baker Fosse, and Phyllis Owen Gray waiting for Tim Rissi to take our reunion picture in the Atrium at the Holiday Inn in Marion, IL. Tim did a great job on the class photo. It's nice to have a photographer in the family. Thanks, Tim!



It can't be that bad!

Ronald Bernhard (L), Sandra Minton Berra, and Linda and John Mitchell wondering what happened to the last 40 years and why they look so young! Everyone had a wonderful time and are looking forward to our next gathering in 2002. John lost out to Don Helm this year as the classmate coming the farthest. Sorry, John!

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the world's fastest shorthand transcribers. **Gene Fuller** received a citation for being the world's fastest typist. **James Jackson, Walter Montgomery, Jerry Turner** and **Wayne Robertson** also received citations. Theirs was for crossing a pig and chicken and getting a pigken.

Joy Harber Earheart, Evelyn Walker Perry, Elaine Dodds Hancock, Joyce Mayo, and Carol Johnson Snoddy have been trying to invent an automatic diaper changer with no luck.

Donna Anderson is now happily married to **Dickie Atwood** and busy raising her own cheering squad. She has five children already for the varsity squad. She is now beginning to raise the freshman sophomore group.

Margaret Hollis and **DeAnn Stout** have settled down on neighboring farms to raise their families and watch the money from their oil wells pour in.

Frankie Hart and **Delores Davenport** have opened an exclusive dress shop. It's so exclusive that nobody can afford to purchase anything from it.

Norma Baker is now a struggling reporter on **Barbara Garavaglia's** newspaper. **Neil Diefenbach** is the chief copy boy. **Alfred Branch** and **Marcella Rutecki** have settled down to raise their three sets of triplets. Their favorite baby sitters are **Barbara Sweeney, Marilyn Lautz, Louise Lockard, Betty Emerson, Jeanette McCombs, and Geraldine Dalton.**

Don McRoy, LeRoy Welborn, Larry Mieldezis, James Jenkins, and Kenneth Jones have opened a hobo camp on the outskirts of town.

Linda Bearden, Frances James, and Phyllis Stanley are always out at school every spare moment they have. They just can't stay away.

I was bearing the end of my stay in Marion, so I told my chauffeur to take me to one last famous place. It turned out to be **Sandra Trammell** and **Phyllis Neeley's** new Ranch-type place, "The Corral." Their waiters are **Mike Campbell, Kenneth Malone, William Parker, Max Ragain, and Gene Childers.**

With that one last visit, I ended my stay in Marion. I was proud that the Class of "57" had done so well for themselves.

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